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PLEASE PASS RODMAN/ADAMS/BORG FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

1. HERewith FULL TEXT OF TRANSCRIPT OF HOWARD K. SMITH
ABC EVENING NEWS COMMENTARY, TUESDAY, MARCH 11.

2. CONGRESS' RECENT SERIES OF ACTS TO RESTRAIN A
PRESIDENCY GOING OUT OF CONTROL ARE WELCOMED. BUT IN
FOREIGN AFFAIRS SUCH CONTROL CAN GO TOO FAR. IT'S GONE TOO
FAR IN THE PLACE THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER SPENT TODAY,
TURKEY. TO GET AN AGREEMENT ON CYPRUS CONCILIATION IS
NEEDED; SOME FRIENDLY PERSUASION TO MOVE DISPUTANTS TO
CONCESSIONS AND TO A SETTLEMENT. WELL, CONGRESS APPLIED
TE OPPOSITE. A SLAP IN TURKEY'S FACE BY CUTTING OFF
ARMS SUPPLIES. JUSTIFIED OR NOT, YOU DON'T PERSUADE
PROUD SOVEREIGN NATIONS AND GOOD ALLIES THAT WAY. THE
RESULT IS T RKEY HAS BEEN IRRECONCILABLE. UNDEMOCRATIC
GREECE WHOM CONGRESS AIMED TO HELP HAS BEEN HURT.
PREMIER CARAMANLIS OF GREECE CAN'T SURVIVE WITHOUT A
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CYPRUS SETTLEMENT AND HE CAN'T HAVE ONE IN TURKEY'S PRESENT

MOOD. UNFORTUNATELY, IT'S NOT JUST A LOCAL MATTER, THE
MIDEAST IS THE BIGGEST DANGER TO WORLD PEACE TODAY AND THE
MAIN PREVENTIVE OF WAR THERE IS KISSINGER'S NEGOTIATIONS.
BUT NEGOTIATIONS TO SUCCEED HAVE TO BE BACKED UP BY THE

UNSPOKEN THREAT OF FORCE. OUR LINES TO SUPPLY FOR FORCE
RUN ALONG THE SOUTHERN TIER OF EUROPE WHICH HAS SUDDENLY
IN THE PAST YEAR BECOME VERY WOBBLY. PORTUGAL, AS TODAY'S
EVENTS SHOW, IS SHAKEY. SPAIN AND ITALY MAY BECOME SO.
NOW CONGRESS DOES NOT DOUBT THE UNDERPINNING OF OUR
TERMINAL BASES, GREECE AND TURKEY. THE LONG, STRONG,
STEADYING ARM OF U.S. POWER REACHING INTO THE MIDDLE
EAST HAS GROWN SHAKEY AND UNCERTAIN. CONGRESS HAS APPRE-
CIABLY REDUCED OUR EFFECTIVENESS IN DEALING WITH WHAT HAS
BECOME FOREIGN PROBLEM NUMBER ONE. (END TEXT) INGERSOLL

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